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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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CASE NO.: RD8005USNA

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**GROUP ART UNIT: 1722** 

EXAMINER: JOSEPH S. DEL SOLE

FILED: JUNE 21, 2001

FOR: STEAM DISTRIBUTION RING FOR SPINNING MACHINES

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 ATTN Mail Stop AF

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## **Introductory Comments**

The present Amendment is filed in response to an Office Action dated October 28, 2003 in the above-captioned application (the "Application"). Applicants respectfully submit that the following amendments put the Application in condition for allowance and therefore request the amendments be entered and the Application be reconsidered in light of the following remarks. A request for a one month extension of time accompanies this Amendment and Response.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 3.